

EC-6446. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual Selected Acquisition Reports (SARs) for the quarter ending December 31, 2005; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6447. A communication from the Assistant Director, Executive and Political Personnel, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, (25) reports relative to vacancy announcements within the Department, received on April 12, 2006; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6448. A communication from the Acting Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Incentive Program for Purchase of Capital Assets Manufactured in the United States" (DFARS Case 2005-D003) received on April 12, 2006; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6449. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting the report of (12) officers authorized to wear the insignia of the next higher grade in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6450. A communication from the Acting Principal Deputy for Personnel and Readiness, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of the closure of the Defense commissary store at Camp Hialeah, South Korea by July 31, 2006; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6451. A communication from the Acting Principal Deputy for Personnel and Readiness, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of the closure of the Defense commissary store at Bad Kissingen (Daley Village Army housing area), Germany by July 14, 2006; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6452. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense, Reserve Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's STARBASE Program 2005 Annual Report; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6453. A communication from the Acting General Counsel, Office of General Counsel, Department of Defense, transmitting the report of proposed legislation relative to amending Section 1206 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2006; to the Committee on Armed Services.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Ms. STABENOW:

S. 2636. A bill to provide an immediate Federal income tax rebate to help taxpayers with higher fuel costs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. FRIST (for himself and Mr. ALEXANDER):

S. 2637. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 1, 4-Benzquinone; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. FRIST (for himself and Mr. ALEXANDER):

S. 2638. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 2-Methylhydroquinone; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. FRIST (for himself and Mr. ALEXANDER):

S. 2639. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on o-Anisidine; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. FRIST (for himself and Mr. ALEXANDER):

S. 2640. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on Benzoic acid 3,4,5-trihydroxy-, propyl ester; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. FRIST (for himself and Mr. ALEXANDER):

S. 2641. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 2,4-Xylidine; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. LEVIN, Ms. CANTWELL, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mrs. BOXER, and Mr. HARKIN):

S. 2642. A bill to amend the Commodity Exchange Act to add a provision relating to reporting and recordkeeping for positions involving energy commodities; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself, Mr. SMITH, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. JOHNSON, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. SALAZAR, Ms. CANTWELL, and Mr. INOUE):

S. 2643. A bill to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to clarify that Indian tribes are eligible to receive grants for confronting the use of methamphetamine; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. GRAHAM, and Mr. FRIST):

S. 2644. A bill to harmonize rate setting standards for copyright licenses under sections 112 and 114 of title 17, United States Code, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ALLEN (for himself and Mr. WARNER):

S. 2645. A bill to establish the Journey Through Hallowed Ground National Heritage Area, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 2646. A bill to create a 3-year pilot program that makes small, nonprofit child care businesses eligible for loans under title V of the Small Business Investment Act of 1958; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Mr. THOMAS (for himself and Mr. ENZI):

S. 2647. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain acrylic fiber tow imported in the form of 6 sub-bundles; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. THOMAS (for himself and Mr. ENZI):

S. 2648. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain acrylic fiber tow; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. BOXER (for herself, Mr. WYDEN, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. 2649. A bill to direct the Secretary of Commerce to provide emergency disaster assistance to mitigate the economic losses caused by the declining Klamath River salmon and to develop and implement a research and recovery plan for Klamath River salmon, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. DEMINT (for himself and Mr. GRAHAM):

S. 2650. A bill to designate the Federal courthouse to be constructed in Greenville, South Carolina, as the "Carroll A. Campbell, Jr. Federal Courthouse"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself and Mr. DEWINE):

S. 2651. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Education to make grants to educational organizations to carry out educational programs about the Holocaust; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. LEVIN (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, and Mr. REED):

S.J. Res. 34. A joint resolution expressing United States policy on Iraq; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. LUGAR (for himself, Mr. BIDEN, and Mr. LEAHY):

S. Res. 441. A resolution expressing the support of the Senate for the reconvening of the Parliament of Nepal and for an immediate, peaceful transition to democracy; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. COLEMAN:

S. Res. 442. A resolution expressing the deep disappointment of the Senate with respect to the election of Iran to a leadership position in the United Nations Disarmament Commission and requesting the President to withhold funding to the United Nations unless credible reforms are made; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. FRIST (for himself and Mr. REID):

S. Res. 443. A resolution relative to the death of Francis R. Valeo, former Secretary of the Senate; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. SMITH (for himself, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, and Mrs. DOLE):

S. Res. 444. A resolution commemorating the 100th anniversary of the founding of the American Jewish Committee; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. SANTORUM (for himself, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. VOINOVICH, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. ENSIGN, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. ALLEN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. CHAFEE, Mr. FRIST, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. BURNS, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. THOMAS, Mr. WARNER, Mrs. DOLE, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. TALENT, and Mr. SUNUNU):

S. Res. 445. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate in commemorating Holocaust Remembrance Day; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 351

At the request of Mr. KENNEDY, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 351, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for patient protection by limiting the number of mandatory overtime hours a nurse may be required to work in certain providers of services to which payments are made under the Medicare Program.

S. 440

At the request of Mr. BUNNING, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mrs. LINCOLN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 440, a bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to include podiatrists as physicians for purposes of covering physicians services under the medicaid program.

S. 633

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON, the name of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. ROBERTS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 633, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of veterans who became